

# MoDOT Express Lane

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### Missouri Gets 2,200 Miles of Smooth Roads One Year Early

Missourians are experiencing 2,200 miles of smoother, safer roads one year ahead of schedule thanks to MoDOT's early completion of the state's Smooth Roads Initiative. Gov. Matt Blunt joined MoDOT Director Pete Rahn Dec. 8 in announcing the department had met the governor's challenge to improve the state's busiest highways by the end of 2006. [SRI](#)

2,200 Miles of Smooth Roads By Dec 31, 2006				
Days	Hrs	Min	Sec	
23	13	30	18	

### Blunt Congratulates MoDOT for 2,200 Miles of Smoother, Safer Roads

Saying that MoDOT met his challenge to overhaul 2,200 miles of highway by the end of 2006, Gov. Blunt recently praised the department for completing the Smooth Roads Initiative. [Blunt](#)

### Santa Helps Welcome

#### Restored Amtrak Service on St. Louis-Kansas City Route

Amtrak and MoDOT, together with Union Pacific Railroad, are celebrating the restoration of regular twice-daily round-trip trains on the St. Louis-Kansas City Missouri Mules route. "Santa Claus" participated in a series of special events Dec. 1, along with volunteer station hosts from Kirkwood Jefferson City. From Dec. 1 to April 1, customers who use Fare Code V539 are entitled to bring a companion for 50 percent off the regular fare. [Amtrak](#)

Take the "A"  
Train



## SAFER ROADS

### When the Weather Outside is Frightful ... Map Gives Road Conditions 24/7

It's important to know there's a place you can go any time day or night to find out major road conditions throughout the state. MoDOT's Web site, <http://www.modot.org/>, offers a map that shows general conditions on the state's major highways. The map, which is updated every 30 minutes during winter storms, will tell you whether a road is dry, wet, partly covered, covered or closed. [Map](#)

## RECOGNITION

### Missourians Recognized for Their Efforts in Highway Safety

The first annual Highway Safety Awards were presented recently to 12 individuals and four groups that helped save lives on Missouri roads. The awards were given at the Blueprint for Safer Roadways Conference in St. Louis. Winners from across the state were nominated and judged by members of the Missouri Coalition for Roadway Safety. [Blueprint](#)

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